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METHOD FOR OPERATING A WELDING DEVICE AND ONE

SUCH WELDING DEVICE

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO FIRST OFFICE ACTION

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated May 24, 2007, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on Page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on Page 8 of this paper.

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